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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant has carefully considered the non-final Office Action mailed April 25, 2003, in connection with the above-captioned application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendment and remarks that follow is kindly solicited.